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Mr. Richard M. Nixon  
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Dear Mr. Nixon:

In the course of continuing research on a classified, official history which I am writing, I have attempted to recover a copy of the CONFIDENTIAL memorandum which you wrote following your meeting with Fidel Castro in Washington, D. C. on 19 April 1959. Search of the files, records, and collections of this Agency, the Department of State, the Eisenhower Library, and the Federal Archives and Records Center at Laguna Niguel, California failed to surface a copy of the document. However, Mr. Rossman of the Laguna Niguel Center has subsequently informed me that a copy of the memorandum is included among your personal papers; and Mr. Rossman was advised by your Staff to inform me to make a direct request to you for a copy of the memorandum.

Although the substance of the memorandum is made clear in both your 1964 Readers' Digest article and in RN, I am sure that you can appreciate that to an historian a copy of the original would be preferable to the summaries. Should you decide to release a copy of the memorandum to me, I would plan to include it as an Appendix in the classified history. At the time, and retrospectively, it was a unique meeting.

I look forward hopefully to your favorable response.

Sincerely yours,

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